

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1.(original)A single-piece weight (M) to be hitched to an agricultural tractor lifting device, having a top face, a bottom, two faces oriented transverse to the direction of travel of the tractor, and two side faces substantially parallel to the direction of travel, each side face comprising a transverse eye-bolt or spindle (7, 8) forming a means of engagement for the tractor lifting device, characterized in that it comprises at least one housing (L1, L2) opening outward and oriented so as to be able to receive at least one lift prong (B1, B2) of a load-handling device and to allow the weight to be lifted and handled by interaction of this housing and the lift prong.
- 2.(original)The weight as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the housing (L1, L2) consists of at least one recessed portion (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) of the bottom of the weight.
- 3.(original)The weight as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the recessed portion comprises at least one groove (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) extending from one edge of the bottom and emerging at at least one end.
- 4.(original)The weight as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the bottom comprises two parallel grooves (12, 13) whose spacing is designed to allow the prongs of a fixed spacing pallet truck to pass.

5. (currently amended) The weight as claimed in claim 3 [[or 4]], characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112) accept a substantially inverted U cross section, open downward.
6. (original) The weight as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the grooves (212, 213) are provided on the bottom edges of the weight and are open laterally outward having a substantially right angle cross section.
7. (original) The weight as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the bottom comprises a single central groove (112) of sufficient width to receive the two prongs of the fork of the load-handling device, this groove being bordered by two zones (102b, 102c) protruding downward.
8. (currently amended) The weight as claimed in ~~one of claims 3 to 7~~ claim 3, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) are oriented at right angles relative to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
9. (currently amended) The weight as claimed in ~~one of claims 3 to 7~~ claim 3, characterized in that the grooves are parallel to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
10. (original) The weight as claimed in claim 8, characterized in that the side faces (5, 6) of the weight comprise convergent inclined portions (5a, 6a) and in that the grooves (12, 13) are open laterally outward (12a, 13a) at these inclined portions (5a, 6a).
11. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112) accept a substantially inverted U cross section, open downward.

12. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) are oriented at right angles relative to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
13. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) are oriented at right angles relative to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
14. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) are oriented at right angles relative to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
15. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the grooves (12, 13; 112; 212, 213) are oriented at right angles relative to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
16. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the grooves are parallel to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
17. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the grooves are parallel to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).
18. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the grooves are parallel to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).

19. (new) The weight as claimed in claim 7, characterized in that the grooves are parallel to the direction of the hitching eye-bolts (7, 8).